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	(2) CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		(4) HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	(5) PRESENT EXTRA	(6) RATE	(7) ADDITIONAL FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS	* 278	MINUS	20	X	( ) X 9.00 ( ) X 18.00	
INDEP. CLAIMS	* 02	MINUS	03	X 01	( ) X 42.00 ( ) X 84.00	
Application amended to contain any multiple dependent claims not previously paid for.				( ) YES ( ) NO	( ) \$140.00 ( ) \$280.00 ONE TIME	
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S I R:

In response to the Office Action dated January 31, 2002, Applicants herewith  
amend the application as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Claim 1 has been amended as follows:

1. (Amended) A method for controlling a dynamic scale for processing mixed  
postal items having respectively different formats, said dynamic scale having a motor-  
driven conveyor for moving a postal item, in a dynamic operating mode, in succession  
with continuous movement through an entry region of the scale, a weighing pan, and  
a discharge region of the scale, said method comprising the steps of:

in said dynamic operating mode, supplying a piece of mail to said entry region  
of the scale at a predetermined regulated conveying speed which is  
independent of the format of the piece of mail, and conveying said piece  
of mail through said entry region of the scale to said weighing pan;  
deactivating regulation of the conveying speed during a measuring time range  
while said postal item is conveyed through said weighing pan and  
obtaining a weight measurement of said postal item, thereby allowing said